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Inside Labor

will be more daggers than cloaks

flying around a closed room in

Chicago's Hotel Ambassador East

He the "intelligence community"

of lacor's high command is as

well-informed as it usually is,

the word is that the Reuther

brothe's plan to give the Central

Intelligence Agency another go-

Their position is that the CIA

is active in the labor affairs of the world—and probably inside

The brothers, Walter and Vic-

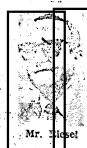
American unions, too.

come August 22.

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Reuther Sei To Blast CIA

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lictor Reuther's statements to he Sende Foreign committee chairman prompted ir. Fulbright to suggest pubicly that the CLA intervence in S. union elections.

The Senator freely he matter with this reporter. hen I phoned him the other

This is one of the questions hich had been in my mind." aid the gentieman from Arkan-"I have had suggestions nat they (the CIA) had nat they (the CIA) had taken ery strong part in labor union rganization in the Dominican epublic. .

"I believe they have worked and in glove with iteany's rowd in the AFL-CIO. But I u'y don't know whether as Oven any interferen merican unions. I tried to get al answer from the former CIA) Director Raborn, But he ould not reply.".

When the Senator questioned IA Director Richard Helms reintly, the latter replied that CIA, to the best of his really or indirectly in such pmestic matters as union elec-

This matter of alleged CIA erations inside labor had folwed by a month the flare-up er Victor Reuther's open atck, not only on Meany and vestone, but upon the Amerin Institute for Free Labor Delopment. Victor Reuther had serted that secions of AIFLD d been used by CIA agents, poctally in Panama.

AIFLD is jointly sponsored by ndr. management and governent. Meany is president; J. Peter Grace, of the famed amship line, is chairman of

and labor officials throughout Latin America. It builds workerowned housing in the slum areas of big cities such as Mexico City. It has put up social and welfare and clinic centers in such impoverished areas as Carpina

mighty constructive work. It edu. Les some 20,000 workers

in Brazil's rural northeast which I visited last year. It vides disaster aid. It builds playgrounds.

When Joe Beirne heard of Victor Reuther's charges, 'no ceiling was too high for him to hit. He prepared to bring charges against Votor, though the latfer is just the head of the United Auto Workers International Affairs Dept., and is not a mem-ber of the high council which meels on August 22.

What has angered Meany, Beirne and Lovesione more than the criticism made by the Routhers has been the effect on the AFL - CIO's international work. It would be hampered in its bolstering of free unions abroad if the AFL-CIO national headquarters here was thought to be even a small section of CIA: Abada William Wilder FOIAb3b1

toc disapprove. And at least Victor has openly charged that havor's president George Meany and his International Affairs Director. Jay Lovestone, work closely with the CIA. It will all come to a loud and angry showdown during the AFL-CIG Executive Council (high command) session in Chicago. The won't be a family fightclosed doors or no closed doors. The pattle story will leak. It always does.

Thus no matter which side.

wins, the CIA, which undoubtedly has a unit of labor specialists done what comes naturally in a world rapidly going labor, will, lose, Certainly some of its classilied activities will be made public.

For some weeks now, Victor Reuther's people have had as mall task force here digging Up what they can to bolster his cia es that Meany and Love-The nave a skilled and prolific writer weaving the material into one document which could be published easily. Insiders believe that this will be published as a pamphlet just before the Council meeting.

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Stamship line, is chairman of the board, but the board.

But the active executive is a butting Irishman, Joe Beirne, had of the Communications workers of America. He is AIFL series of America. He is AIFL series of the communications workers of America. He is AIFL series of the communications workers of America. He is AIFL series of the communications workers of America. He is AIFL series of the communications workers of America and the communications and the communications and the communications workers of America and the communications and the communica

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